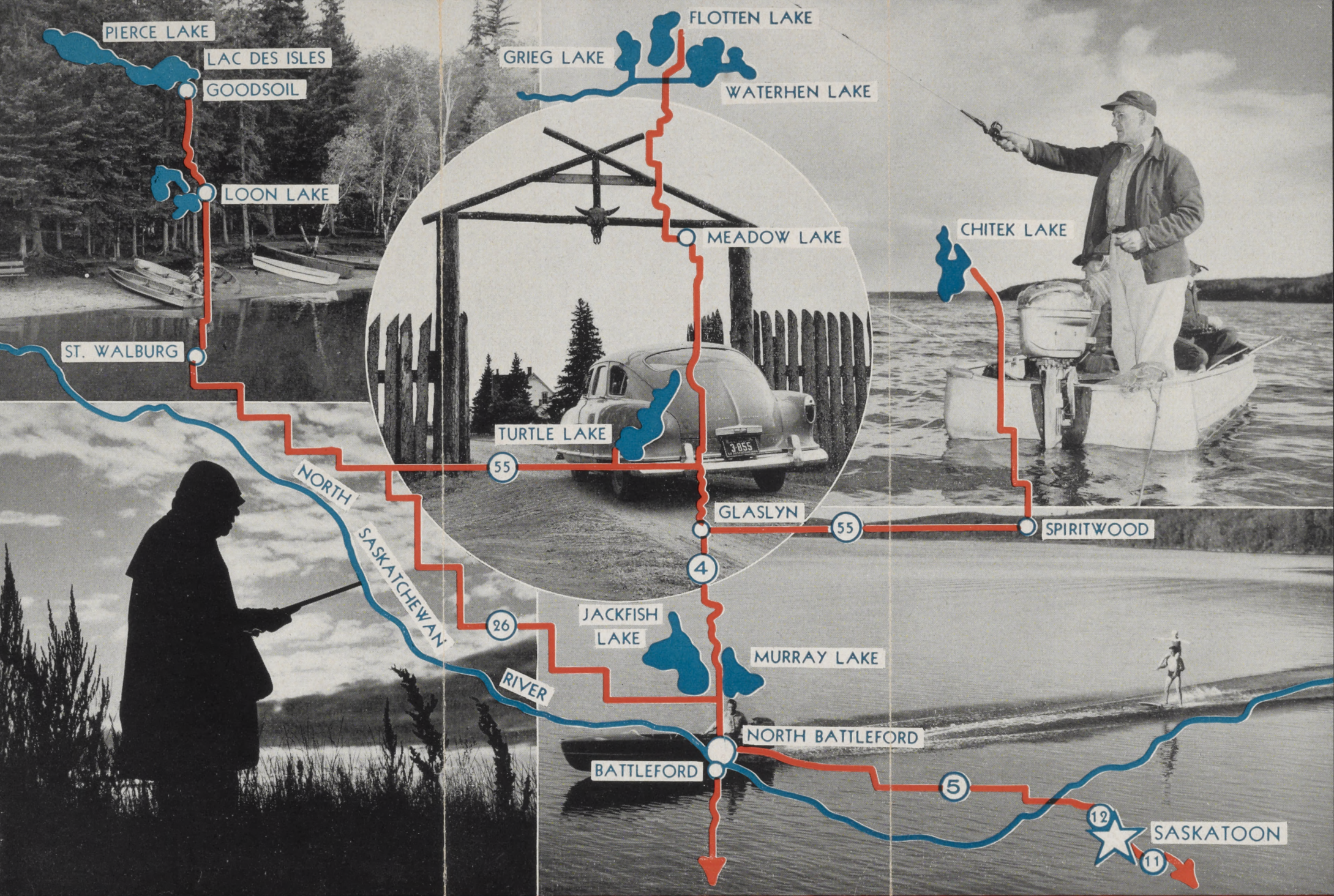


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# THE BATTLEFORD ROAD

Less than seventy five years ago the last battles fought on Canadian soil were raging in the area that is today northwest Saskatchewan. Fiery Louis Riel was leading the rebellion of Indians and Metis that future generations were to label with his name—the Riel Rebellion. The few isolated settlements and outposts of this area were being besieged—troops were being rushed from eastern Canada. But the uprising was soon overcome; in 1885 the last shots fired in battle on Canadian soil echoed through the hills near Rat's Foot Portage, north of the Battlefords.

Today only the Fort Battleford National Historic Park serves as a physical reminder of those days. Located near Battleford, and just across the North Saskatchewan River from North Battleford, the park is filled with relics of the days not long past when the struggle for land in this region was a struggle for life.

Now the bustling twin centers of the Battlefords are the southern extremity of a region that has become one of the most pleasant vacation areas in Saskatchewan. The province's northwest has something to offer everyone who's holiday minded. For the family vacationers there are well-developed holiday resorts, with clear lakes and sandy beaches. The sport fisherman need never leave disappointed, and in the autumn, hunters who visit northwestern Saskatchewan will find upland game and migratory waterfowl shooting that ranks with the best.

Provincial highways wind north of the Battlefords, reaching into the heart of this rolling, wooded parklands country. But north again of this is a silent land—a land accessible only by canoe and aircraft, a vast area with unknown holiday possibilities.

## BATTLEFORD - NORTH BATTLEFORD

Located 98 miles northwest of Saskatoon on provincial highway No. 5, Battleford is on the south side of the North Saskatchewan River. North Battleford is situated on the north side. Accommodation in North Battleford is available at the following hotels—Auditorium, Marlborough, Clarendon, Beaver and Cooper. In addition there are two motor courts in North Battleford. The North Battleford Auto Court is owned by A. Kluzak. The other motel is located on Main Street. In Battleford there are two hotels—the Windsor and Queen's.

Points of interest in the twin centres are the Western Development Museum at the airport in North Battleford, the Fort Battleford National Historic Park, one-half mile southeast of the town of Battleford, and St. Thomas College, formerly Government House, the seat of the government of the North West Territories from 1876-1883.

# HIGHWAY NO. 4.

## **JACKFISH AND MURRAY LAKES**

About 20 miles north of North Battleford, on highways No. 4 and 26. Jackfish lake in particular has good sand beaches. Both lakes offer good pike and pickerel fishing. Resorts have been established at Meota, on the southwest side of Jackfish lake, and at Cochin, on the east side. There are also excellent camp sites at Aquadeo Beach, at the extreme north end of the lake. A combination rodeo and water show is held here each July.

## **TURTLE LAKE**

Northwest of North Battleford about 55 miles. Has excellent sand beaches, fishing for pike and pickerel. Some accommodation available at the south end of the lake and at Fairholme or Livelong near the lake. Boats for hire at both south and north ends of Turtle lake.

## **GRIEG LAKE**

Accessible by seven miles of fireguard road from highway No. 4 north of the Waterhen River. This lake is about 32 miles northwest of the town of Meadow Lake. There is excellent fishing here for pike and pickerel. Very good sand beaches. No public accommodation.

## **WATERHEN LAKE**

North of the Waterhen river, on highway No. 4. This lake is little more than a mile from the highway. There are road connections from the lake to the highway. Two cabins, several boats available. Very good fishing for pike and pickerel.

## **FLOTTEN LAKE**

Approximately 30 miles north of Meadow Lake, on highway No. 4. This lake has excellent sand beaches, good angling for pickerel and pike. There are cabins and boats available. There is a small general store.

## **CHITEK LAKE**

About 35 road miles from highway No. 55 at Spiritwood. Roads good only in dry weather. Good fishing, with boats and seven cabins available. For further information write Mr. and Mrs. P. Douglas, Pioneer Cabins, Chitek Lake.

# HIGHWAY NO. 26.

## **ST. WALBURG**

Six miles south of St. Walburg, on highway No. 26, is the Imhoff Studios, where over 300 paintings by the noted artist, the late Count Berthold Imhoff, are on display. Fourteen miles north and west of St. Walburg is W. Fuch's Natural Wildlife Exhibit. Excellent upland game bird hunting in season.

## **LOON LAKE**

This is the best-developed resort area in northwest Saskatchewan. On highway No. 26, Loon Lake Resort has 20 cabins, an excellent beach, boats and motors for hire, an outdoor movie theatre, small playground, a store and lunch counter. There is good fishing for pike and pickerel.

Located on the highway, at the southeastern end of Makwa lake, Loon Lake Resort is a natural starting point for a four-lake canoe trip through Makwa, Jumbo, Upper Makwa and Tullibee lakes, which form an almost continuous circular waterway of about 18 miles. Reservations can be made through R. Longdo, manager, Loon Lake Resort.

At Jumbo Lake there is a dance hall and lunch counter.

## **LAC DES ISLES**

North of Loon Lake, on highway No. 26, this lake is most famous for the size of its northern pike. There has been comparatively little fishing done here. An excellent beach, cabin accommodation and boats are available on the southeast shore of the lake. Proprietor is R. Siewalt, Goodsoil, Saskatchewan.